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Rudiger von Arnim – Biosketch

Rudiger von Arnim began his study of economics in Frankfurt in 2000. With a scholarship from the German government, he transferred to the New School for Social Research (NSSR) in New York, NY, in 2002, where he completed his MA in Economics (2004). After entering the PhD program at NSSR, he worked as a research assistant at the NSSR-affiliated Schwartz Center for Economic Policy Analysis (SCEPA) in the area of Globalization and Trade with Will Milberg and Lance Taylor. Between 2005 and 2008, he won a Teaching Fellowship, a University Fellowship and a Dissertation Fellowship at NSSR. From 2007 to 2008, von Arnim worked with Jomo Kwame Sundaram (Jomo KS), Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development in the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN-DESA), in his position as research coordinator of the Inter-governmental Group of Twenty Four (G-24). In 2008, he received his PhD from NSSR, and accepted a tenure-track position at the University of Denver, Denver, CO. In 2009, he accepted a new tenure-track position in the Department of Economics at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, UT.

Research interests of von Arnim broadly fall into three categories: (1) Macroeconomic theory, with a focus on the links between growth, the business cycle and the distribution of income; (2) economic development, with a focus on structural heterogeneity; and (3) international economics, with a focus on large and persistent global imbalances. These categories are connected theoretically, in terms of the focus on macroeconomic issues, as well as methodologically, in the development and application of simulation models.

Von Arnim has consulted for Oxfam, UK, together with Lance Taylor of the New School for Social Research on the possibly detrimental impact of further trade liberalization within the “Doha” process on sub-Saharan Africa; consulted for UNDP’s Regional Bureau for the Arab States (UNDP-RBAS) together with Codrina Rada (Economics, U. of Utah) on structure and performance of the economies of the Arab States; and consulted for ILO’s Institute for International Studies (IILS) on employment prospects in the wake of the global crisis as well as the linkages between core labor standards and global growth.

Von Arnim teaches a number of courses in macroeconomics, development and international economics, as well as a hybrid online course for International Economics. In the past, he has twice taught simulation methods at a Structuralist Summer School at the University of Pavia in Pavia, Italy.